

# **“Crossroads – Border Security in Arizona”**

**Wednesday, March 19, 2008**

**\*\*7:30 AM – 8:25 AM – Registration and Refreshments\*\***

**\*\* 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM \*\***

Increasing violence in southern Arizona demonstrates more than ever the transnational nature of organized crime and the challenges faced by federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies.

- Smuggling organizations may have a hand in drug, human, and arms trafficking, and links to criminal street gangs.
- Bandits, bajadores and thugs from rival organizations prey on human and drug cargo, presenting major public safety challenges on Arizona's roads and in communities.
- Political and economic instability and organized crime terror in northern Mexico exacerbate cross-border violence.
- Drug tunnels permeate the southern border towns, and Indian lands are a crossroads for drug and alien smuggling.
- Sophistication among drug and human smuggling organizations present significant challenges to federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement.

How can law enforcement agencies work together effectively to reduce the violence, secure the border, and enforce the law? This full-day seminar will feature briefings by agencies of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of Justice, and the U.S. Department of Defense. Training will be Law Enforcement Sensitive, and it is appropriate for senior or supervisory law enforcement personnel.

To register for this training, please send an email containing **your name, agency and contact information** to [usaaz.registration@usdoj.gov](mailto:usaaz.registration@usdoj.gov) by **March 3, 2008**. A confirmation will be sent to you. Please call Law Enforcement Coordinator Wyn Hornbuckle with any questions at 602-514-7573.